

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY/TOWN OF GOSHEN WATER SHORTAGE

SITUATION REPORT # 11

FINAL

1000 Hours July 2, 2007

New information is in bold italics.

Information for Situation Report should be submitted to the VEOC no later than 1200 hours daily

SUMMARY

The Town of Goshen water system was shut down on 14 June due to a leak that occurred on 13 June. A local emergency was declared at 1100 hours, 14 June. ***Routine system checks are being conducted.***

EXECUTIVE ACTION

EOC Activation: Virginia Emergency Operations Center is at ***Routine*** Operations.

State of Emergency: Governor Timothy M. Kaine declared a state of emergency on June 20, 2007 in the Commonwealth of Virginia, directing state agencies to take all necessary actions to aid in the response and recovery from a water outage in the Town of Goshen in Rockbridge County.

Protective Actions: Local Emergency Declared: Rockbridge County declared a local emergency on 14 June 2007.

ESF 15 – External Affairs: VDH Public Affairs are coordinating public affairs support to Rockbridge County and the Town of Goshen. Public Affairs staff responding to media inquiries and coordinating release of public awareness information ***concerning the lifting of the Boil Water Advisory.***

WEATHER FORECAST

Rockbridge County: ***Monday, July 2 –Sunny. High temperatures near 77 degrees. Winds from the east between 5 and 7 mph.***

OPERATIONS SECTION

ESF 5 – Emergency Management: ***As of 2 July, no additional reports will be produced as a result of the Boil Water Advisory being lifted.*** Collecting cost estimates from state agencies and localities.

EMERGENCY SERVICES BRANCH

ESF 8 – Public Health & Medical Services: VA Department of Health (VDH)
Boil Water Advisory was lifted at 1530 hours 29 June based on all samples being negative for contaminants. In addition to regular system testing, continued monitoring of the operational status of the Town's water system is highly recommended due to the fragile nature of the Town's water system. Final Situation Report was submitted 29 June.

ESF 16 – Military Support: VA National Guard (VNG)

All VNG personnel and resources are off State Active Duty as of 1700 hours 26 June.

HUMAN SERVICES BRANCH

ESF 6 – Mass Care, Housing and Human Services: American Red Cross

The Red Cross completed feeding response ***of*** repair workers assisting with water and information distribution and demobilized on 25 June.

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LOGISTICS SECTION

ESF 7 – Resource Support: VA Department of Emergency Management

Rockbridge County Emergency Management requested additional communications support from the State. An additional 10 land lines, fax capability are operational. Seventeen requests for assistance have been received; sixteen have been completed, and one **was** cancelled.

LOCAL ACTIVITIES

Rockbridge EM prepared a narrative in support of the Town's application to USDA ***to seek reimbursement for purchase of potable water and emergency restoration of the water system. A final Situation Report was submitted 30 June. Report indicates Goshen's water system is presently functioning normally and continued monitoring of the operational status of the system is highly recommended due to its fragile nature. Future efforts will seek long-term solutions. According to a local media source (www.thenews-gazette.com) to replace 12,500 linear feet of the main water transmission line the effort will cost between 1.5 and 1.75 million dollars and significant operational changes will be necessary in order to qualify for grants and loans.***

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